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Honorable Catherine C. Blake
United States District Judge
101 West Lombard Street
Baltimore, Maryland 21201

Re: United States v. David L. Handel,
Criminal No. CCB-13-0313

Dear Judge Hollander:

I write to update the Court regarding the status of this case. The Speedy Trial Clock was tolled by a Consent Motion To Exclude Time from October 11, 2013, to December 5, 2013. The defendant is not in custody.

Counsel have conferred about a possible resolution of this case by plea agreement, and defense counsel has received discovery from the government. Defense counsel has advised that he has not yet been able to complete a review of the discovery in this case with his client due to the fact that the defendant resides in Ohio. The defendant is scheduled to travel from Ohio to meet with counsel on January 10, 2014, to complete his review of the discovery. The parties believe that after that point the parties will have a better sense if a trial will be necessary in this case.

Accordingly, the parties request permission to file a status report on January 17, 2013. Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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